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### ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE -

## SELECTMEN, TREASURER

\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

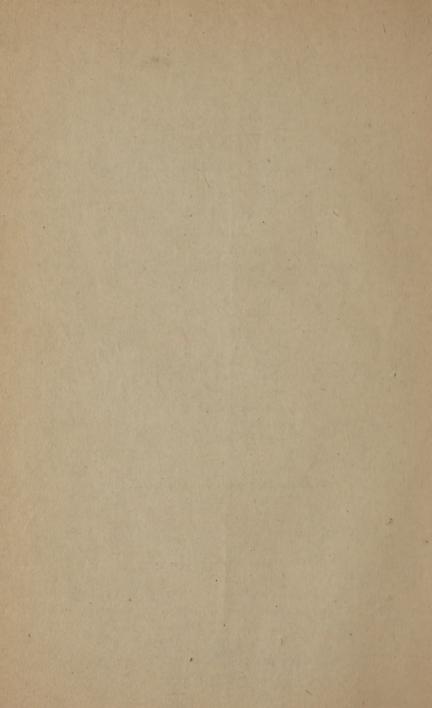
OF THE

# TOWN OF MEREDITH,

FOR THE

Year Ending March First, 1875.

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## REPORT.

The Town of Meredith in account with the Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1875.

		The T	own of	Mere	edith,			Cr	. 23	
By	balance rep	orted Mar	ch 1, 18	374,			\$	14,533	34	
66	assessment	of State	Гах,					1,768	00	
66	66	of County	y Tax,					2,735	00	
66	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	for Town	charges	,				2,000	00	
66	**	for Town	debts,					2,000	00	
66	44	of School	money	, requ	uired '	by law,		1,547	00	
66	66			by v	rote o	f town	,	500	00	
66		for Engir	e Comp	any,				300	00	
66	"	for paupe	r roads,					100	00	
66		of overla	y, by pe	ercent	tage,			466	49	
66	46	of non-re	sident h	ighw	ay ta	х,		163	56	
66	66	of dog ta	ıx,					140	0.0	
66	"	of Schoo	l House	tax,	Distr	ict No.	4,	406	15	
66	"	66	66	66		66	5,	1,219	49	
66	66	66	66 .	66			6,	25	47	
66	66	on portion	of Mer	edith	anne	xed to	Cent	re		
		Har	bor,					679	50	
66	amount of	Savings E	ank tax	ζ,				1,369	97	
66	66	Railroad 1	ax,					268	69	
16	66	Literary f	und,					151	29	
Re	ceived of St	tate for U.	S. bour	aty,				128	00	
	66 66	" Insura	nce tax,					. 9	37	
	" " C	county, for	paupers	s,				53	34	
	" for n	ote of B. P	. Woodn	nan,	a new	note, la	arger	by 10	00	
							100			

\$30,574 66

	The To	wn of	Meredith,	Dr	
To paid notes and int	terest,			\$17,671	52
To Paid th	ne Sev	eral	School District	s.	
William S. Mead, for	Distri	et No	. 1 and 2,	\$127	98
David Gilman,	66	66	3,	143	27
Geo. E. Gilman,	66	. 66	4,	189	30
Samuel W. Rollins,	. 66	66	5,	754	84
John M. Neal,	66	66	6,	132	45
B. C. Tuttle,	66	66	7,	65	08
Simeon D. Pease,	66	66	. 8,	160	61
Eben'r S. Robinson,	66	66	9 and 10,	163	69
Emerson S. Marston,	66	66	11,	61	18
Morrill S. Swain,	66	66	12,	124	91
John Webster,	66	66	13,	61	03
Daniel R. Caverly,	66	66	15,	54	40
Geo. W. Rundlett,	66	66	16,	44	60
Wm. S. Smith,	66	66	17,	56	28
J. H. Clark, Union w	rith Cer	nter I	Harbor, No. 5,	12	28
A. J. Goodwin, for S				7	44
Jonathan Sanborn, U				), 5	44
				A	-
			M. Soldania a serior	\$2,164	78
	Roads	and	Bridges.		
To Paid Erastus W. 1	Prescot	t, iroi	and blacksmith	work, \$5	35
			and repairs of high		75
			aterials for bridge		93
Wm. C. Man					00
" Nathan B. V	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE	West of the last		43	34
		The same of	olts for bridge,		70
			d for bridge railing	g, 7	00
			ng ledge from high		85

To Paid	Phineas Dolloff, labor and plank,	\$ 25	36
	Geo. W. Gordon, for plank,	3	74
	Geo. H. Clark & Co., for plank,	15	
46	Lucratis A. Colby, repairs of highway,		00
46	Moses G. Philbrook, for plank and labor,	3	81
		161	46
	James M. Chase, stone culvert, and labor,	7	27
46	J. Frank Batchelder, repairs, and cutting bushes,	10	99
46	Ebenezer S. Robinson, non-resident highway tax,	25	00
46	Moses R. Chase, stone culverts, and repairs,	21	
44	Philip McCrillis, drawing stone, and paid for		
	bridge railing,	3	00
6. 10	Philip McCrillis, highway surveyor Cass Hill Dist.	14	00
44	Benj. C. Batchelder, breaking roads in 1873-4,	6	00
66	P. W. Heath, " " "	20	23
46	Noah H. Chase, " " "	23	54
- 46	N. S. Davis, " " " "	6	08
46	Dudley S. Piper, " " " "	5	98
44	Warren B. Leavitt, " " " "	4	80
46	Jer. B. Swain, "" "" ""	3	75
46	David Brown, " " " "	12	40
46	Luther Boynton, " " " "	1	30
46	C. Wayland Cram, "" "" "	13	30
46	" " 1874-5,	7	20
66	John Webster, " " 1873-4,	10	89
46	" breaking pauper road, " "	9	04
66	J. C. Wadleigh, breaking Turnpike, "	22	95
66	" repairs of Turnpike, 1874,	31	90
46	N. S. Davis, repairs of Hermit road, 1874,	3	00
46	" breaking Hermit road, 1873-4,	. 6	60
66	N. B. Plummer, repairs of pauper road, 1874,	14	50
46	Thomas J. Sinclair, breaking pauper road,	4	59
46	Simeon D. Pease, cutting bushes from highway,	3	00
	Wm. Neal, land for repairs of highway,	5	00
46	Jos. S. Neal, labor, and repairs highway, 1872, .	35	00

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To Paid David Plummer, award for land for highway in		
1857, and interest from Aug. 1866,	\$70	00
" Lorenzo D. Dolloff, award for highway,	65	00
" John W. Beede, iron for bridge railing, 1873,	5	84
" J. B. Swain, for plank,	6	00
	\$858	97
To Paid Pauper Bills.		
Moses P. Moulton, board of N. Sayward, from Feb. 13.	,	
	\$159	00
M. P. Moulton, making pants and knitting socks for		
N. Sayward,		90 -
M. P. Moulton, extra in sickness of N. Sayward, 5 w.		00
J. W. Lang, Jr., supplies to N. Sayward,		00
E. Bickford, "" "		50
W. E. S. Foss, "" "		24
P. D. Blaisdell & Co., " "		47
Geo. Sanborn, medical aid " "	15	75
Stephen B. Maloon, support of Hiram Thompson, for		No.
the year ending March 1, 1875,	104	00
Charles S. Sleeper, board of True Bean, one year, to		00
January 25, 1874,		00
Charles S. Sleeper, clothing of True Bean, same year,	6	00
Sound of Time Dean one year to		00
Jan. 30, 1875,		00
Charles S. Sleeper, extra in sickness of True Bean, Town of Alton supplies and medical aid to "		00
20011 of 211ton, supplies and medical and to		77
D. P. Evans, coffin, box, robe, &c., for "Samuel J. Hall, digging grave for "		70
	. 2	00
John W. Beede, supplies to Benj. Follins, J. W. Lang, Jr., ""		45
Frank E. Clough, wood for	-	63 25
J. H. Harmon, supplies for		94
Richard S. Stanton, support of S. Pickering's wife and		34
child, to March 3d, 1875,		00 .
child, to march ou, 1010,	30	00 .

N. L. True, medical aid to Pickering family,	\$ 23	00
Reform School, board of W. N. Swain to Jan. 31,	16	57
J. S. Wescott, support and expense of Edna M.		
Wescott to Nov. 30,	66	65
A. W. Abbott, medical aid to E. M. Wescott,	7	00
J. S. Wescott, aid to transient man,	3	00
Geo. M. Burleigh, aid to transient persons and paupers,	24	50
J. M. Smith, keeping two transient persons,	2	00
C. W. Neal " " "	- 2	00
Geo. Fogg, support of Francis Lyford,	9	80
J. C. Avery, three coffins for S. Kelley children, 1872,	20	00
Benj. Perkins, expense and supplies to C. W. Crockett,	9	78
C. K. Sanborn, supplies to C. W. Crockett,	10	10
County, board and clothing of Geo. A. Hall,	11	25
Dr. J. H. Sanborn, medical aid to G. A. Caverly family		
1873,		50
Hanson Beede, sheriff fees and expense of W. N. Swain	, 20	99
	Ball Mary	
	886	74
To Paid General Expenses.	886	74
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To Paid General Expenses.	\$86	
To Paid General Expenses.  Charles P. Towle, services and expense to Legislature, 1873,		
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To Paid General Expenses.  Charles P. Towle, services and expense to Legislature, 1873,  Geo. G. Hoyt, services as Investigating Com. to Jan. 1, 1874,	\$36	00
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To Paid General Expenses.  Charles P. Towle, services and expense to Legislature, 1873,  Geo. G. Hoyt, services as Investigating Com. to Jan. 1, 1874,  Geo. G. Hoyt, services as Selectman, March 1 to March 11, 1874,  S. W. Rollins, legal services and advice, Bartlett vs.	\$36 15	00 00 00
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Geo. M. Burleigh, an unpaid order of Feb. 11, 1871,	\$.7	50
Joseph D. Wadleigh, damage to horse and carriage,	50	00
Newell & Plaisted, glass and putty for town house,	2	10
J. P. Boodey, copy of two deeds, in Jenness case,	1	25
E. P. Jewell, bal. for services, Bartlett vs. Meredith,	44	25
O. A. J. Vaughan, printing town reports and col. receipts,	47	00
" checklist, and express,	14	20
Daniel B. Eaton, half day surveying town line,	1	50
W. B. Reynolds, setting glass in town house,	1	75)
Levi Towle, attendance and mileage, Meredith vs.		
John Smith,	8	00
Edwin Cox, money paid on abatement of W. Shepard's		
tax, 1871,	10	00
S. F. Emery, four stone posts, and setting, on town line.	, 4	00
Joseph Ela, examining records in Jenness case, '72-73,	12	00
E. Stevens, as Justice in three cases,	7	00
Edwin Cox, team to Ossipee,	5	00
N. B. Plummer, for watering trough,	1	00
D. M. Roberts, damage to horse and sleigh,	2	50
J. A. Lang, for Engine Company, by vote of town,	225	00
" and T. S. Moses for Engine Co., allowed		
by law,	75	00
P. D. Blaisdell & Co., stationery,	1	66
P. D. Blaisdell, services as selectmen, from Feb.		
28, 1874, to Mar. 10, 1874, car fare and express,	16	15
P. D. Blaisdell, attendance at court at Ossipee in Jen-		
ness case, and taking affidavits,	12	00
W. E. S. Foss, stationery,		65
W. S. Cox, sheriff fees, Meredith vs. Smith & True,	2	76
" " State vs. Sceggel,	8	36
J. S. Neal, board of Selectmen to Feb. 24, 1875,	31	81
James M. Marston, damage to sheep by dogs, 1873,	6	00
James Roberts, " " " "	20	00
John H. Harmon, " " 1874,		00
Sidney L. Stevens, " " " "		00
Dittioj di Cicrons,		00

Thos. L. Smith, damage to sheep by dogs, 1874,	\$6	00
Benj. F. Wiggin, " " " " "	6	00
James M. Chase, " " " " "	5	00
J. H. Sanborn, recording births and deaths,	4	50
Geo. Sanborn, " " "	6	25
H. F. Hawkins, damage to plow on highway,	4	15
John M. Neal, damage to plow on highway, 1870,	8	00
Ezra R. Chase, for watering trough,	2	50
C. S. Prescott, 14 cords wood for town house,	5	62
Wm. Kelley, sawing wood, and cleaning town hall,	2	00
G. I. Bard, services as School Committee,	50	00
M. A. Quimby, " " "	25	00
E. Bickford, services as town clerk,	45	00
H. S. Swain, services as Selectman to Mar. 1, 1875.	180	50
C. W. Neal, " " " "	95	82
A. E. Leavitt, " " " " "	95	00
Edwin Cox, for collecting in full for 1872, and part '73,	87	00
J. W. Lang, services as town treasurer,	50	00
" use of team, expense of drafts and express,	7	85
State tax of \$1,768.00, less the abatement, \$208.00		
ordered by Legislature of June last, 1	,560	00
County tax of \$2,735.90, less the abatement, \$321.94,		
ordered by Legislature of June last, 2	,413	96
John S. Dolloff, for collecting, balance of 1872 list		
and entire list of 1873,	75	21
Hazen Marston, abatements for 1871,	121	15
Edwin Cox, on School House tax, Dist. No. 5, ab'ts '72,	120	63
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	35	20
" " No. 4, ab'ts '73,	. 8	20
" " Abatements for 1872, town tax,	194	HER
" " 1873. "	120	70
" " 1874, "	49	18
John S. Dolloff, " 1872, "	7	81
" " 1873, "	43	01
" ab'ts non-resident highway tax, 1873,	41	31
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				0	ceipts, 1873,	\$35	54
District No. 5, School House tax, in full for 1872,							33
66	66	44	66	for 187	3,	200	00
66	66 4,	66	- 66	66	in full,	78	30
66	" 8,	46	66	44	66	20	79
cc	" 16,			"	66	41	47
ce	" 5,	66		for 187	4,	1,068	00
"	" 4,	66				300	00
Due fr	om bank	s, discl	narged as	worthles	s, by vote,		
M	arch, 18	74,				83	85
R. C. 1	Pike's bo	ok of	1868, dis	charged a	s worthless		
by	vote, M	Iarch, 1	874,			310	45
						\$8,511	28

### RECAPITULATION.

By whole amount of receipts,		\$40,674 06
To whole amount of Expend	ditures, as	follows: +
Paid Notes and Interest,	\$17,671	52
" the several School Districts,	2,164	78
" for Roads and Bridges,	858	97
" Pauper Bills,	886	74
" General Expenditures,	8,511	28
		\$30,093 29
Leaving a balance of		\$10,580 77

#### Which is accounted for as follows:

Due on .	A. A. 1	Kiddei	's book,	of 186	37,		\$ 20	97
66	66	46	66	186	38, .		100	95
Due from	n R. C.	. Pike	, money c	collect	ed on a	A. A. Ki	(1-	
der'	s book	of 18	68, and r	ot pa	id over	`,	25	94
Due from	n Haze	n Ma	rston's bo	ok of	1870,		109	79
64	44			.66	1871,		155	47
6.6			lloff's				1003	49
Due on F	E. Cox's	s book	, School I	H. tax	, Dist.	No. 5, 18	873, 170	38
66 .	66	44,					374, 151	
66 .	66	66	, 44	66		" 4, 18	874, 106	15
66	ee		66	66		. 6, 18	874, 25	47
66 1	66	66	tax on	part o	f Mere	dith anno	exed	
			to C	enter	Harbo	r,	279	50
66	66.	66	1873 to	wn ta	x, '		1,459	64
66 %	. 66	66	1874	. 66			3,662	38
" ]	Notes,	beside	s the inte	erest,			485	00
	Cas	sh in '	Γreasury,				2,799	15
Treasur	er's rec	eipt to	Hazen M	[arstor	a, for th	ie year 1	871.	
			ore credit			-		
cou	nt boo	k,					25	00
							distribution of the latest desired the latest desir	

\$10,580 77

Having examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, we find them correctly east and properly vouched.

T. S. MOSES, J. A. LANG, Auditors.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOSEA S. SWAIN, CHARLES W. NEAL, ARTHUR E. LEAVITT,

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. Lang, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Meredith.

1874.	Cr.
By Cash in the Treasury, Mar. 1, 1874,	\$6,763 54
" for, and renewal of notes,	10,099 40
" abatement of County tax,	321 94
" of Hazen Marston,	40 00
" of Selectmen from County,	53 34
of Savings Bank tax,	1,369 97
" of Railroad tax,	268 69
of Literary fund,	151 29
" of Insurance tax,	9 37
" of U.S. bounty,	128 00
" of abatement State tax,	208 00
of Edwin Cox, collector,	6,647 97
" of John S. Dolloff, collector,	4,321 89
	\$30,383,40

#### For Cash paid out on Note Account and renewed.

F	or Cash paia out on Note Account o	ina renewe	a	
1874.			Dr.	
To Cash 1	paid H. O. Abbott, interest,		<b>\$</b> 80	39
66	Josiah S. Prescott,		300	00
66	Mary A. Forsaith, interest,		24	46
66	James M. Paine,		338	09
6.6	R. S. Kenison,		626	82
56	J. H. Plaisted,		1,407	48
6.6	Juliann P. Lang,		1,982	04
66 '	Gilman Sanborn,	• • • •	347	07
66	Ruth Eastman,		1,364	69
44	Eben'r Eastman,		1,136	06
66	Sally Leavitt,		1,063	50
1 66 -1	James Roberts,		27	15
66 .	J. H. Plaisted,		379	08
6.6	Dearborn Taylor,		183	63

Cash	paid E. Jones,	\$56 00
66	P. O. Blaisdell,	513 78
4.6	C. R. Clark,	259 47
44	J. C. Gove,	10 00
44	Eliza A. Mudgett,	77 90
46	Ira Davis,	30 00
46	Mary Smith,	20 00
46	J. C. Gove,	42 08
44	T. S. Robinson, two notes,	212 24
66	M. J. Leavitt,	100 00
46	M. P. Cornell,	100 00
44	H. A. Cochrane.	8 00
44	F. Smith,	60 00
44	E. R. Smith,	43 00
44	Eben'r Stevens,	637 54
44	C. E. M. Eastman,	67 71
	B. H. Eastman,	568 00
-6	William E. Merrill,	892 00
46	E. Jones,	132 00
46	Clark Wentworth,	949 02
46	G. W. J. Taylor,	952 72
46	Abby L. Prescott,	44 70
44	Solomon Lovejoy,	202 20
44	P. O. Blaisdell,	530 87
46	T. D. Veasey,	53 80
46	Mary Plaisted,	308 02
46	S. D. Pease,	830 64
44	J. W. Beede,	92 71
44	Ira Davis,	520 83
46	M. A. Forsaith,	31 50
46	C. P. Clark,	54 33
46	John C. Gove,	10 00
		,

<sup>\$17,671 52</sup> 

Amount	of cre	dit brought forward,		\$30,383	40
To paid	out or	Note account,	\$17,671	52	
66	66	County tax,	2,735	90	
66	66	State tax,	1,768	00	
66,.	66	Orders from Selectmen,	5,408	84	
Cash in	Treas'	y to be carried to new acct.	, 2,799	14	

\$30,383 40

Mar. 1, 1875. Out-standing notes and interest this day, as far as known, including notes to the amount of \$1,555 00, not here-tofore reported, \$32,218 67

J. W. LANG, Treasurer.

## SCHOOL REPORT.

#### FELLOW CITIZENS:

Your Committee, to whom was submitted the care of the schools, report: We consider you have been favored with an unusually good corps of teachers during the past year. The retention of previously tried teachers seems to us especially to deserve commendation. You have paid out no money which will bring you in such dividends as that expended in this direction. We bespeak more frequent visits to the schools on the part of the parents; this is indispensible to the best interests of the schools.

Small districts and short terms are a bane to us yet. We urge consolidation. The matter of carrying scholars longer distances must be surmounted, and not stand in the way of consolidation. It will have to be done and the expense will not be increased, but lessened. We demand that Prudential Committees, in the future, present their candidates for examination at least two weeks before the term shall begin. Teachers must not be hurried into the schools.

A change has been made in readers—taking *Monroe's* instead of *Willson's*. We recommend that the change be made complete throughout the town another year. Nothing is so poorly done as *reading*; it must be brought on.

We suggest that advanced scholars in the districts ought to be encouraged and allowed to attend the High School instituted in your town. We suggest it is wrong that no more space is given to a printed report; such a town as Meredith ought to have a report of twenty pages. The Committee are pained to reduce the report of many of our best teachers to so small limits; they deserve larger mention in your annual representation. We sug-

gest besides, that citizens must attend to the *primary* meetings; nothing is of more importance than the selection of a judicious and capable Prudential Committee.

It is the opinion of your Committee that a Town Board should be elected who should have the control of the schools, the designation of teachers to districts, and even the change of teachers from one district to another. Such a course would have insured better results, in some instances, the past year. It is our opinion the Town District must come.

#### DISTRICTS NO. 1 AND 2.

Term of five weeks in summer, taught by Betsey R. Potter, of Gilford, an experienced and successful teacher—without sufficient time to realize large results.

The winter term, under Frances A. Plumer, of Alexandria, was fully attended through the twelve weeks it lasted—decidedly one of the very first schools of the year. Attendance remarkably good for such a winter. Miss P. fully justified her previous good report in our town.

#### DISTRICT NO. 3.

Summer term, Miss E. A. Doe, of Laconia. One of our well-known and most successful teachers. Winter, Annie I. Moulton, of Sandwich. A teacher new to our schools, but one who ought to be retained, if possible; putting this school in the very front rank. Mr. David Gilman, Prudential Committee, worked well to get a change of readers—the whole school was furnished.

#### DISTRICT NO. 4.

Miss Elbra M. Bedee, teacher here last year, was engaged for this. Her classes embraced some of the most advanced pupils in town. This school has some of the best minds. Under a *Town District* the most advanced would enjoy the privilege of a High Department at small expense. No district would be more benefitted by the arrangement than this.

#### DISTRICT NO. 5.

Divided into three departments. Miss E. F. Fellows, who was so successful last year, was rightly retained for this; the school making marked progress under her care.

S. Kate Smith, of Meredith, entered the second department at the beginning of the year, and fully succeeded in sustaining the high character this department had attained the last year.

The higher department was under the charge of Hon. Daniel H. Bedee, of Sandwich, who, during this term and the preceeding and succeeding sessions of our High School, brings to us all that learning and ability for which he has long been known. Many valuable changes, and much positive advancement have been secured. Closing exercises were well attended, but citizens should attend more. This District has material for two departments and a half. The town should supply the other half department by sending our most advanced scholars. When we get the Town District the way will be opened still further for this; till then, let our citizens sustain the High School by sending in their scholars on their own responsibility.

#### DISTRICT NO. 6.

Summer, Emma W. Cox, a graduate of the State Normal School; bringing to this school the positive advantages of *Normal Instruction* and much previous experience.

Winter, Mr. Simeon Wadleigh, known years ago as a very successful teacher, was persuaded to take this school. He met with hinderances to discipline which no teacher ought to be subjected to, and which will probably be removed in time to come. The conscientious and pains-taking care he gave the school will not fail of their due result.

#### DISTRICT NO. 7.

United with Laconia. Summer term, Mary F. Tuttle, of Meredith. Miss T. has a happy way of making the school-room attractive, and attaching the pupils to herself. The order

was very good, and the school in every respect profitable.

Miss Tuttle also began the winter term, but, owing to sickness, was obliged to give it up. Mrs. E. T. Wadleigh succeeded her—an experienced and successful teacher. The school under her care making good progress.

#### DISTRICT NO. 8.

Hattie J. Hoyt, of Meredith, taught both Summer and Winter terms, and a private term besides. Her Normal training and previous experience and natural fitness conspired to give the school a high character. The District appreciate this.

Mr. S.D. Pease, the Prudential Committee, worked well for the school, and the large attendance of friends in the District, on the examination, was an example I wish was more widely followed.

#### DISTRICTS NO. 9 AND 10-UNITED.

Summer term, Miss Alida Quimby, of Meredith. The union of the districts made the work of government more difficult at first, but Miss Quimby succeeded very well, and the scholars made good improvement in their studies.

Winter term, Mrs. A. E. Cram, of Meredith. Order—good; attendance regular, and school successful.

#### DISTRICT NO. 11.

Miss Cinda J. Cram, of New Hampton. Miss Cram is very quiet in her way, but earnest and faithful. Scholars studious and learned well.

#### DISTRICT NO. 12.

Summer term, Mrs. A. E. Cram, of Meredith. Mrs. Cram proved herself to be a good, thorough and successful teacher.—Scholars were orderly and learned well.

Winter term, Martha F. Emmons, of Bristol. An excellent teacher, securing excellent progress.

#### DISTRICT NO. 13.

Mrs. Christie J. Swain, of Meredith. A teacher deeply interested in her pupils, as they were in her; making a school everyway profitable and satisfactory.

#### DISTRICT NO. 15.

Helen A. V. Robinson, of Meredith. This was Miss Robinson's first effort. She succeeded well in teaching, and the scholars in learning.

#### DISTRICT NO. 16.

Miss Alice Woodman, of Sanbornton. The order was excellent; the instruction thorough, and the scholars learned well.

#### DISTRICT NO. 17.

Hattie E. A. Emery, of New Hampton. Considering her years and inexperience in teaching, Miss Emery succeeded very well. Some of the pupils made decided improvement. Chas. F. Robinson, only eight years of age, made remarkable progress in the study of Quackenbos' small Grammar.

G. I. BARD, M. A. QUIMBY, Superintending Committee.

## STATISTICAL TABLE.

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